

## LEASE ALL RIGHT

No Delay in Starting the New Plantation.

PUMPS AND PLOWS ORDERED

Satisfactory Settlement of the McCandless Lease.

Efforts to Get Steam Plows in California—Work Will Begin Promptly.

The matter of the lease of the land to be occupied by the new Oahu plantation has been settled.

A sixty-years lease has been signed and delivered, and everything is in the best of shape. Steps to put in the big pumps will be at once taken. They were ordered by the Peking and steam plows were sent for at the same time. An effort will be made to secure the latter in California, and failing there, the order will go to Scotland.

The controversy referred to in afternoon papers of yesterday could have no effect upon the plantation project nor the lease. It is a case entered more than a year ago to establish one point: Whether Mrs. Brown holds the property in fee simple, or has merely a life interest in it. As a ranch, the property would net the children \$4,000 per annum; as a sugar plantation the income from it would be about \$20,000. It is not to be supposed that a court, acting for the interests of the children, would hesitate to sanction a lease on this basis. Such a contingency was never apprehended, and has never arisen, as might be supposed from published reports.

The trouble, then arose over a lease for fifteen years of one-third of the Waipio property, made twelve years ago, to L. L. McCandless. Mr. McCandless first offered to accept a rental of \$5,000 per year for twelve years for his lease. This was amended to a proposal of this kind: Mr. McCandless agreed to expend \$600 in clearing land from the place, and then to accept \$25,000 as a full consideration for his lease. In the meantime an affidavit by Mr. Ballou was filed in the Circuit Court, which, it appears, was not clearly understood.

A special meeting of the stockholders of the plantation was held yesterday morning. Mr. McCandless sent to a stockholder a third proposal, which was accepted. It was this: The plantation's rental of land for sixty years is to be one and one-half per cent. of the total output of sugar. Mr. McCandless agreed to waive his lease for one-third of this amount, which would be one-half of one per cent. of the output. This was agreed to. At the same time Mr. Dillingham made certain pasturage concessions, which removed the last barrier in the way of the lease. Upon that basis the matter was settled.

The Waipio property is quite a valuable tract. Nearly all of it is below a level of 100 feet. It is in easy range of water no matter where, on the plantation, the pumping plants may be stationed. The property as a whole is admitted by the best judges to be one of the most perfect plantation sites in the Islands. With the road all clear, everything will now go ahead.

### HOMING PIGEONS.

Some Facts as to Cost Furnished an Inquirer.

MR. EDITOR:—I was much interested in your description of the carrier pigeon service and will request further light on the subject. Can you give it us?

- 1st.—Cost of necessary birds to establish daily service between two stations, say Honolulu, Hawaii, and Honolulu, Oahu.
  - 2nd.—Cost and size of cages.
  - 3rd.—Length of time necessary to train.
  - 4th.—Care and maintenance, etc.
- In fact all outlay necessary to establish and keep up such two stations.
- Yours respectfully, F. M. Honolulu, Jan. 27, 1897.

In answer to the above the following information is given:

The cost of "fancy" birds is high. We were informed by Geo. H. Croley, 417 Sacramento street, San Francisco, who is an expert, and deals in these birds, that a pair of them costing \$4.00 would answer all purposes.

The cost of cages would be about the same as a good chicken house, but it should be on a house top. The size will depend upon the number of birds.

The time necessary for training depends wholly on the industry of the trainer. It may be done in several weeks. The young birds are taken out to a short distance from the cage, say half a mile, and then loosened. They are then taken to the distance of a mile, then five miles, ten miles, twenty, and so on. This may be done in quick succession, or it may be carried on slowly. In training birds to fly across the channels, they should be taken out in a boat, several miles from the shore, and set free. The next time, the distance should be increased. Experience will determine the best course to pursue.

sue. The boat may have to make a number of trips into the channel in order to lead the birds up to very long distances.

The care and maintenance of the pigeons. But there must be special care and arrangements, so that the birds which return home shall, on entering the cage, give a signal, or enter a special room and not mix with the other birds until the messages are taken from them, so the birds destined for different places must be kept apart. As the birds require only a simple diet of peas, the cost of maintenance is nearly nominal.

One of the best books on the subject is "The breeding and training of homing pigeons," written by Louis Hoser, (Chas. F. Hoser, publisher), Germantown, Pa. This little book is for sale by Geo. H. Croley, 417 Sacramento street, San Francisco, Cal., price 25 cents.

## GOOD BEGINNING.

First Hagey Club Concert Was Success.

Honolulu's Leading Singers and Donald Graham Revealed Omissions Last Night.

Not in years, except at the Yatman meetings, has the Y. M. C. A. hall held so many people as crowded into it last evening to attend the concert of the Hagey Club. Every seat was occupied, numbers of people crowded into the aisles and a full hundred stood on the landing at the top of the stairs. On the platform sat President Harrison, Secretary Robt. Scrimgeour and other officers of the club, while members of the society occupied seats near the front.

The program was excellent one. It consisted of eight numbers. The concert began at 8 and was over at 9:45. Misses McGrew and Love assisted as accompanists in the musical program. Mr. Harrison had general charge of the program.

The first number was a violin duet by Prof. Yardley and Mr. W. A. Love, with Miss Love as accompanist. The selection was from "Petite Symphonie" by Danel and met with great favor.

Next came an extemporaneous welcome by Mr. J. H. Kirpatrick of the Hagey Institute. He briefly outlined the history of the Hagey treatment for the liquor and tobacco habits, and made a statement of the work accomplished in Honolulu. Following this he stated the facts of the recent incorporation of the Institute under local auspices and the plans to make it a permanency. He took occasion also to thank the people of Honolulu, one and all alike, for the hearty hand and assistance that had been rendered in furthering the cause.

For the next number the fine voice of Mr. Donald De V. Graham was heard in "Where'er You Walk" by Handel. The vocalist displayed wonderful power with effect, and paved the way for a hearty encore. In response he rendered "Heart Ache," playing the accompaniment himself. This, if possible, was better than the first. The selection is a beautiful one—a splendid sentiment and a strain that at once appeals to everyone.

Mrs. W. W. Hall was called upon for the next number. Her well-known elocutionary powers were fully employed in Lowell's famous realistic recitation "The Courtin'". Mr. R. C. Montague sang very acceptably "The Palms," by Gounod, and, in response to an encore, presented "Good-bye, Sweetheart." Mr. James T. Stewart, a pupil of the Institute, read the Constitution of the Hagey Club, and followed it with a bit of his own experience. He related an interesting way his career as a drinking man, and said that, though he had been taking the Hagey treatment a week only, he no longer craved spirituous liquors. He closed a panegyric to the promoters of the Institute with an appeal to all drinking men to take the treatment.

A storm of applause greeted the presence of Mrs. Montague-Turner in the doorway, as she approved for the next number. With Miss Love as accompanist, her superb voice was heard in "Knowest Thou That Dear Land," by A. Thomas. For an encore Mrs. Turner played and sang the first stanza and the refrain of "Home, Sweet Home." The propriety of the selection and its beautiful rendition made it exceedingly impressive.

Mr. Wm. O'Halloran, a graduate from the Institute, read an appropriate poem. The audience was then treated to one of the happiest musical numbers of the program—the song "Once In A While" by Mrs. R. D. Walbridge, with violin obligato by Prof. Yardley and Miss Love as accompanist. Mrs. Walbridge possesses an exceedingly sweet alto voice and more than pleased the large audience in the hall last night.

A reading by Mr. J. F. Brown was quite humorous and was very acceptably interpreted. Prof. Yardley offered as a violin solo Ernest's "Elegie" which brought the splendid program to a successful close. After this there were short talks by members of the club and their friends.

### D LOST THE GUNS.

While Debating Co. C. Scooped the Drill Rifles.

A funny thing happened at the drill shed last night which showed a defect in the present arrangement of keeping a rack of guns at the armory for drilling purposes. Both C and D, being their night to drill, were invited to come unarmed and to use the extra guns. The case worked out like this: While D was holding a short business meeting, Company C took the rifles



MYRICK JONES, THE IRISH INFORMER.  
Of the Irish informers of the past, Warner, Talbot, Pierce, Nagle and Carey were shot; Corydon had his throat cut, Pigott killed himself and Le Caron dropped dead from fear of being killed by the Nationalists. What the fate of Jones, the latest informer, will be is a matter of much speculation.

and marched out to the drill grounds. So the "giants" had no drill. An effort will be made to have one of the companies drill on Saturday evenings, which would bridge the present difficulty.

## BLAKE'S ARREST

But Small Horn of Opium Found in Valise.

No Trace of Large Quantity Supposed to Have Been Landed.

For several weeks the detectives have been watching a certain combination and especially J. W. Blake who arrived in Honolulu from Vancouver, B. C., in December last, thus in pursuance of the Marshal's orders given after having received information from a reliable source.

The watch during the past three weeks was more vigilant than ever and the object of all this nosing around of the detectives was Blake, who has a cottage in Fowler's Yard, the place in which he has resided since his arrival in the country. Late on the night of Tuesday, January 26th, information was communicated to David Kaapa to the effect that opium had been seen to go into the cottage, No. 72, occupied by Blake. On the next day the detectives started in to shadow the place and keep even closer watch than ever on Blake who was seen to leave the cottage quite early. Strange as it may seem, he did not return and was not seen all day long.

In the evening he was seen hanging about in the vicinity of the shooting gallery and other places in the immediate vicinity on Hotel street. A little later on he was seen to cross over to the California Wine Company where he was met by "Opium" Brown in the deep shadow of the doorway. Immediately there followed a muffled conversation of nearly three-quarters of an hour.

This finished Brown went toward Fort on the mauka side of the street while Blake crossed over and going up Nuuanu, was lost sight of in Chaplain Lane. At about 8:40 p. m., he was seen to come down Nuuanu street with Brown. The two walked to King street and over to Castle & Cooke's corner where they took a hack and drove off. That was the last seen of Blake for that night and the next day.

Between 11 and 12 o'clock Thursday night he was seen to enter his cottage and just shortly before 1 a. m. Friday, Detective Kaapa stepped in and arrested his man. Upon searching the premises no opium could be found but the fact that one of the two satchels which Blake was known to be the possessor, was absent, gave the detectives some hope. Blake was locked up and yesterday morning a warrant of search for the office of the Machine's Home was secured and the detectives started out on their mission.

John Gibberston, the old janitor, was asked if he knew of a certain satchel which Blake had left there. To this he replied in the affirmative and going over to a trunk, took out the required article.

Upon opening this, one very large lichee nut, completely filled with opium, was found. In the opinion of the detectives this was the last of the samples which had been passed around to "retail" Chinese opium dealers. The contents of the nut gave every appearance of having been put in not more than three days ago.

### "MEREDITH'S OLD COAT."

Its Author is Heard of Through a New York Paper

Many will remember the pleasant entertainment of "Meredith's Old Coat," given for the benefit of Kawaiahao Church on the evening of January 25, 1896. William Hilary Alderidge, the author, who, it will be remembered, had the principal part in the cast, is now in the States. The New York Press, in some stories about counterfeits, prints the following about Mr. Alderidge:

"I remember once at the Mare Island and Navy Yard Lieutenant Alderidge who spends three hours every morn-

ing before dinner every day dressing for the evening) had a check suit which was loud enough to drown the voice of a 15-inch gun. He was proud of that suit, and when he was going ashore in it he extended the dressing period from three to four hours.

"Until 9 o'clock in the evening the countersign was not demanded. The form was 'Advance, officer' and he recognized. For a wonder Alderidge was returning to his ship one evening before 9 o'clock. The sentry was a recent recruit, very conscientious and very much impressed with maintaining the dignity of the service, albeit as green as new paint on window shutters. When he saw Alderidge he challenged, 'Who goes there?'

"'Advance, officer, and be recognized,' responded the sentry. 'Alderidge advanced. 'I don't recognize you,' said the sentry, and then after a pause, while Alderidge walked on—in that suit! he cried.

"But Alderidge, whose serenity an earthquake could not disturb, went on down the walk, and the sentry, who did not know just what to do under the circumstances, bawled after him: 'But I pass you!'

## HANDSOME MEDAL

Presented to Dr. H. C. Sloggett.

Recognizing Services as Lieutenant on H. B. M. Ship Challenger.

It will be remembered that a short time ago Her Britannic Majesty's Commissioner had the pleasant duty of presenting to the Bishop Museum, on behalf of the British Government, a set of reports of the celebrated scientific cruise of twenty years ago of H. M. S. "Challenger." About a week ago Dr. Sloggett received through H. B. M. Commissioner A. G. S. Hawes a handsome medal, commemorative of the voyage of the Challenger.

It is made of bronze about three inches in diameter and one-quarter of an inch in thickness. The obverse side



THE CHALLENGER MEDAL.

has the head of Britannia in the center, surrounded by a scroll, which also encircles an owl, indicative of wisdom; to the left is Neptune holding the trident in his left hand. On the bottom, and on either side, is a naiad, and nearer the edge is a ribbon scroll bearing the inscription: "Voyage of H. M. S. Challenger, 1872-1876."

The reverse side represents the crest of the Challenger. A knight clad in mail armor with a gauntlet lying at his feet, behind him is a trident. Around, near the edge, is a ribbon bearing the legend: "Report on the scientific results of the Challenger expedition 1876-1895." Both sides are in strong bas relief, and the modeling is exceptionally good. The medal is in the hands of H. B. M. Vice-Consul T. Rain Walker, who feels justly proud of the fact that his Government has so fittingly remembered the services rendered by this distinguished physician who comes from one of the oldest Cornish families, having settled at Tresloggett which they held by military service and from which they evidently took the name. The earliest mention of the family is the assessment of Stephen Tresloggett to the subsidy of St. Mabyn in 1227.

Throughout the line of ancestors of Dr. Sloggett will be found several of the family who distinguished themselves as members of the British army and naval forces. The doctor at one

time held a commission of Lieutenant of the Royal Navy from which he retired some years ago. His brother has just been promoted to the post of Surgeon Lieutenant Colonel, jumping over 175 surgeon majors, for distinguished services in the Sudan campaign.

Dr. H. C. Sloggett was a practicing physician in the State of Washington before coming here. His daughter, Myra Sloggett, is one of the latest additions to Honolulu society and his son Digby, was until quite recently with the Wall, Nichols Co.

## GROWING SOCIETY

Year Book of Society Sons of American Revolution.

Will Be Published in Few Days. History of the Local Society.

The year book of the Hawaiian Society, Sons of the American Revolution, compiled by Wm. F. Allen, Prof. W. D. Alexander and John Effinger, Committee, for the years 1896-1897, will be issued in the course of ten days. It will contain a vast deal of historical information concerning the society and its members.

This book is disseminated among societies of the same order in the United States. Similar year books are gotten out by all the societies and are distributed in the same way. On the title page of the Hawaiian year book will appear this inscription: "To our compatriots across the sea, this volume is dedicated with the hope that we may soon live under the flag of our fatherland." As a preface, the following historical sketch will bear quite interesting data to the societies "across the sea."

The Hawaiian Society of the Sons of the American Revolution enjoys the distinction of being the first society of the kind formed in a foreign land. It is one of many proofs that Hawaii forms the advanced post of American civilization in the Pacific Ocean.

"The Pioneers who first brought Christian civilization to these Islands, and many of their compatriots who have since then settled here, belonged to old Revolutionary families, chiefly of New England and the Middle States. They taught their descendants to fear God and love liberty, to revere the memory of their patriotic ancestors, and to cherish the principles for which they fought. These principles they were taught to hold not in any narrow and selfish spirit, but with the view of extending to all mankind the blessings of 'liberty protected by law.'

"Here as elsewhere these influences have swept away feudal despotism and secured to the native people of these Islands all the rights which were won at so great a cost by our ancestors.

"During the great Civil War, the American colony in Hawaii contributed its full share both of men and money for the cause of the Union; and nowhere is the memory of those who gave their lives in its defence more honored than here on Decoration Day.

"The Hawaiian Society was organized June 17, 1896, on the anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill, with but eighteen members. A constitution based upon that of the Massachusetts Society was adopted and the following officers chosen: Peter Cushman Jones, President; Albert Francis Judd, Vice-President; John Effinger, Secretary; William DeWitt Alexander, Registrar; William Joseph Forbes, Treasurer; Rev. Douglas Putnam Birnie, John Walter Jones and Henry Weld Severance, Members of the Board of Managers. The Board (with the exception of Henry Weld Severance) was re-elected, with the addition of Col. William Fessenden Allen, at the annual meeting in June, 1896.

"The Hawaiian Society has given three entertainments in the past year—one on the anniversary of the birth of Washington, one on the Lexington Alarm Day, and one on Cornwallis' Surrender Day. The first was at Hon. P. C. Jones' residence, the second at Chief Justice Judd's residence, and the third at the hall of the Y. M. C. A., the guest of honor at the last one being Captain Nathan Appleton, of the Massachusetts Society. The Society proposes the coming year holding meetings to celebrate all the principal anniversaries of the Revolution. It has offered prizes for orations to be delivered at the close of the school year by the students of the schools of the Republic.

"Fifty-seven applications for membership have been received, and nearly all favorably reported upon by the National Society as eligible. The Hawaiian Society offers this modest addition to the year Books of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, in the hope that the coming year will see the names upon its membership roll doubled in number."

### Oahu Sugar Co.

The subscribers to the new Oahu plantation who drew out their stock on account of the absurd lease scare last Friday, have returned into the company. An officer of the corporation, speaking of the unfortunate construction a few people put on the matter, said he deplored the circumstances for the sake of those who had drawn out. The whole thing was so foolish, and the matter was set right before the public as soon after the first mistaken reports were given circulation, that he did not think anyone would go to the extreme of withdrawing.

There are no changes in the business of the plantation since Saturday. Work will begin as soon as the machinery can be gotten together. The steam plows and pumps were ordered to be shipped at once.

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